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TOPIC Soviet Air Force Units and Airfields in the Schwerin 25X1ARailroad District 25X1AEVALUATION [REDACTED] 25X1X PLACE OBTAINED [REDACTED] **CONFIDENTIAL**DATE OF CONTENT [REDACTED] 25X1CDATE OBTAINED [REDACTED] 28 February 1950

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1. It was learned on 11 November 1949 at the Schwerin (L 54/T 46) railroad district management that the trackage of the Ludwigslust-Techentin (L 54/T 86) airfield railroad siding was to be dismantled for the construction of the Berlin detour. Maj Sharokha was CO of the field.
2. On 28 December 1949 a railroad worker said that the Laerz (N 54/U 33) airfield was occupied by aircraft as before but no construction work or flying was observed at the Rechlin (N 54/U 33) airfield. Soviet CO of Rechlin had allegedly considered blocking the Mirow (N 54/U 33) - Rechlin railroad line and the road parallel to it. It was assumed that jet fighters were shortly to be stationed at the Laerz airfield.
3. On 29 December 1949 a Perleberg (L 54/T 70) resident stated that tank units instead of air force formations had arrived at the Perleberg airfield. Tanks were allegedly parked on the flying lanes cut into the woods near the field.

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Comment:

a. The removal of the railroad siding to the Ludwigslust airfield which is recorded for the first time is considered credible as, according to other reports, hangars were also dismantled there. Maj Sharokha is unknown.

b. The stated occupation of the Rechlin airfields agrees with other reports. The assumption that the Laerz airfield is to be occupied by jet planes has not been confirmed.

c. The occupation of the Perleberg airfield by a tank unit was confirmed by other sources. No air unit is stationed at the field.

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